

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 7, 2016  
7:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Kevin Lyden, Stuart Gadbois, Edward Chmielewski, Robert Ross

**ABSENT:** David Kennedy

**1. Call to Order:** K. Lyden called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Approval of Minutes**

**A) M/S/C (Ross/Gadbois) to approve the Board of Selectmen May 3, 2016 Regular Meeting minutes amended.**

**Vote: Approved**

4. Correspondence/Public Comments - 1. The Adventure Crew will hold a fundraising pasta dinner and silent auction on Saturday May 7, 2016 at Gardner Lake Firehouse.

A. Massage Ordinance (Action Item) - The *proposed* ordinance will be posted online 2 weeks before the Town meeting.

C. Request for additional appropriation from Board of Education (discussion item) - By the end of May the final calculations of teachers' salaries will be completed and funding might *be* available within the current budget.

A. First Selectman - The Salem Road Race was a success. There were approximately 200 ~~participates~~ *participants*.

1. Board of Education - K. Lyden reported the BOE is finalizing their budget.

2. Board of Finance - The budget public hearing for the BOF will be held Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm at Salem School.

**4. Correspondence/Public Comments**

K. Lyden read a letter from Roger & Johanna Haynes of Hartford Road supporting a blight ordinance.

**5. Agenda:**

**A. Supplemental Appropriation to Board of Education as per Section 10.09 of the Salem Town Charter (action item)**

**M/S/C (Lyden/Gadbois) to endorse a supplemental appropriation of \$21,000 to the Board of Education as per Section 10.09 of the Salem Town Charter.**

**Vote: Approved**

(See attached)

## **B. Blight Ordinance (Discussion Item)**

K. Lyden reviewed the proposed blight ordinance. The ordinance was brought to the Selectmen as a discussion item, no action was to be taken on the ordinance at this meeting. It was written after review of other Connecticut towns' ordinances with Salem's land use attorney.  
(See attached)

E. Chmielewski stated he felt that all the Selectmen should be present to act on the ordinance. He also asked if there would be an appeals process added in the ordinance. He also proposed slowing the process down to provide an opportunity for public input and to further discuss the ramifications caused by the potential fines to property owners.

R. Ross stated he would like a provision to have something to the resident after they have complied with enforcement of the ordinance.

## **C. Tax Collector Refunds**

**M/S/C (Gadbois/Chmielewski/) The Board of Selectmen direct the Town Treasurer to issue refunds recommended and certified by the Tax Collector as presented to the Board of Selectman in the amount of \$1,198.28 on this 7rd day of June 2016.**

**Vote: Approved**

(See attached)

## **6. Reports**

### **A. First Selectman**

K. Lyden congratulated Salem graduates from middle school and high school.  
The Uncas Health District will keep its annual dues the same.  
The DARE program for 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade was held.

#### **1. Board of Education**

The BOE asked for additional funding.

#### **2. Board of Finance**

The BOF did a good job with the budget for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

### **B. Economic Development**

S. Gadbois reported Economic Development will compile a list of businesses and properties for businesses.

### **C. Library Board**

R. Ross reported the summer reading program is starting. The search is still continuing for a head librarian; Racheal Gaither will fill the position temporarily.

### **D. Planning & Zoning Commission**

No report.

### **E. Recreation Commission**

D. Weston reported summer programs will start; please check the website for listings.

### **F. Inland Wetlands & Conservation Commission**

The June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting was canceled.

**7. Public Comments**

None

**8. Adjournment**

**M/C/S (Ross/Chmielewski) to adjourn at 7:36 P.M.**

**Vote: Approved**

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Diane Weston**

**Recording Secretary**

APPROVED